

Scott Masten

Subject: Toxicity Tests

Date: Wednesday, October 13, 2004 10:19 PM

From: booker w <swbooker@hotmail.com>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear NTP:

Recently I read that the National Toxicity Program is accepting proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements, as in grapeseed and pine bark extracts, as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze.

I can't stand that we value "life" so much that a stem cell is considered as having rights, but beautiful and intelligent animals already among us endure such unspeakable torture, just for our convenience. I long for the end of animal use in research, but until then, please make sure that any testing done is really truly necessary.

Thanks for listening.

Sincerely,
Sandy R. Watson
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Scott Masten

Subject: cruel animal tests

Date: Wednesday, October 13, 2004 9:42 PM

From: Classicaljunk@aol.com

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

13 October 2004

Dr. Scott Masten

"The fact that man knows right from wrong proves his intellectual superiority to other creatures; but the fact that he can do wrong proves his moral inferiority to any creature that cannot" Mark Twain.

I have heard of the recent testing recommendations for the National Toxicology Program and find the prospects disturbing. What could possibly be learned from subjecting any of our fellow creatures to such cruel and unusual tests? And what makes you think that you have the right to own and use any of them in the first place? They were not put on this planet to be subjects of apathetic, mad scientist tests. Although you can't understand them when they speak doesn't discount the fact that they do. They are thinking, sensitive creatures capable of feeling emotional and physical pain. The results of your tests are not worth the suffering you put them through.

Many of the proposed tests are just ridiculous. If so much data already exists on the toxicity of perflourinated compounds then why spend so much more time and money on redundant results? And if we have been using certain plant extracts for generations I don't see the purpose of testing them now.

Your tests and methods are barbaric and they make you no better than the animals you test on. Eliminate this outdated method of testing. Sophisticated research methods such as computer models, cell cultures, and human clinical and epidemiological studies are more humane, more accurate, less expensive, and less time consuming than animal experiments.

Jill Penney

Scott Masten

Subject: *please read this!:(*

Date: Wednesday, October 13, 2004 9:17 PM

From: Maddee hanmm <squirlygurl9000@hotmail.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Hi my name is Madelyn Hammons And I think it very wrong to test make up such and such on neworn monkeys I mean If they did that to humans you might not be alive. Please Im only 12 years old but I care so much for these monkeys I mean I wear make up but if you think its poisonus dont sell it I know you have enough heart to pity these more chimps and stop testing stuff on them. How would you like it if I put poisonis stuff on you just to see what it would do. I know you dont understand what theyre saying but hey they dont understand you either and i bet if we could understand them youd feel alot different about testing stuff on the. Please consisder what I said and respond.

Madelyn

R.S.V.P

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Scott Masten

Subject: FW: Animal Testing

Date: Wednesday, October 13, 2004 8:09 PM

From: joseph.martel <joseph.martel@verizon.net>

Reply-To: <joseph.martel@verizon.net>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Subject: Animal Testing

I am writing to you to ask you to please stop those horrible and unnecessary animal testing. Does it not affect you to hear and see those poor animals suffering because of you? They hear and feel pain the same as you. Why don't you test on yourself and feel what they are going thru. Can't do it can you? That's because you have no feelings for animals. God will punish you one day. Maybe you will come back in your next life as an animal that will be tested on by some unfeeling creature. Sometimes I wonder which is the animal and which is the one most deserving of all that suffering you are inflicting. This is the 21st century- NOT the middle ages. There are alternatives to animal testing, which makes me believe that you love to torture animals and use the excuse that it is for the betterment of mankind. You should be ashamed of yourselves. You definitely are not human or you would have compassion and know better. God gave us a conscience for a reason. However, you probably do not believe in God also. This would explain why you take such pleasure in torturing God's creations. Why don't you test on criminals? They deserve it more than those innocent animals.

As you can tell, I am very upset with you and your organization and was shocked to hear that you actually do animal testing- unnecessary testing in this day and age. We can go to the moon but cannot stop animal testing. You call that progress? I think not. I think you still do it because if you had to stop those horrible tests then you would actually work at a job for a change. Actually, work for your pay. How very sad. I will pray for your soul and ask God to please open your eyes to the awful things you are doing. However, I do not think you really see what you really are.

Thank you for your time.
Shannon Martel

Scott Masten

Subject: testing

Date: Wednesday, October 13, 2004 7:28 PM

From: Frances Burton <burton@utsc.utoronto.ca>

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Dear Dr. Olden and Dr. Masten

I have just learned of new tests for toxicity about to be inflicted on animals and am deeply concerned that the harm and pain consequent on these toxins is regarded as 'necessary'. I believe there are alternatives, and certainly, there is knowledge about the nature of the chemical and what that class of substance can do. I urge you to reconsider issuing permission to

- The Food and Drug Administration nominated Di-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (a chemical used in plastic IV bags) for studies of reproductive, immune, and other effects that would involve injection of the substance into newborn male rats and nonhuman primates.

- The Environmental Protection Agency nominated "perfluorinated compounds" for extensive study, including cancer and reproduction testing, on the basis of "presumed" widespread human exposure, despite the fact that large amounts of human and animal toxicity data are already available for these chemicals.

- A "private individual" recommended that the dietary supplement "bitter orange extract" undergo "subchronic" toxicity studies (which means force-feeding the substance to animals every day for three to six months), as well as testing for metabolic and cardiovascular responses and birth defects in animals.

Yours truly

Frances D. Burton
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Scott Masten

Subject: Change your life.stop animal testing

Date: Wednesday, October 13, 2004 3:22 PM

From: lucia foster <kabukistar@hotmail.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

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Subject: Urgent Request

Date: Wednesday, October 13, 2004 3:40 PM

From: JEAN JEFFREY <nickiy@execpc.com>

Reply-To: nickiy@execpc.com

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dr. Scott Masten,

As a taxpayer and someone who believes that all living creatures deserve respect, I urge you to pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Animals are not test tubes with whiskers!

Sincerely,
Jean Jeffrey
Oak Creek, Wi. 53154

Scott Masten

Subject: Important matter

Date: Wednesday, October 13, 2004 2:25 PM

From: cjstreemke@optonline.net

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dr. Scott Masten
Office of Chemical Nomination and Selection
National Toxicology Program
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences

I am writing you today to ask you to stop the animals tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

We all know those tests are unnecessary and will kill defenseless animals. We don't have the right to use animals for unnecessary experimentations.

Thank you

Chantal Boucher

Scott Masten

Subject: Animal Testing

Date: Wednesday, October 13, 2004 8:56 AM

From: cperenzin1209@earthlink.net

Reply-To: cperenzin1209@earthlink.net

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Animals are not here to suffer at the hands of man.

I want to stop the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Cecelia Perenzin

Scott Masten

Subject: NTP Animal Testing

Date: Wednesday, October 13, 2004 1:42 AM

From: Ann Harrison <aksdharrison@yahoo.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten,
For GOODNESS sake, please, stop the animal testing.
Primate babies have the same needs as their human counterparts, which does NOT include being injected with potentially toxic chemicals.

Again, PLEASE pull the plug on the animal tests recommended by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Thank you,
Ann Harrison

p.s. if you do decide to go ahead with this program (would you consider it a worthwhile/reasonable risk program if it were your own children being used as test subjects?), at least care for these animals and provide them with the stimulation and the gratitude they need and deserve (the minimum care and consideration you would hope for if it were your own children being used). Again, thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

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Scott Masten

Subject: testing

Date: Wednesday, October 13, 2004 1:22 AM

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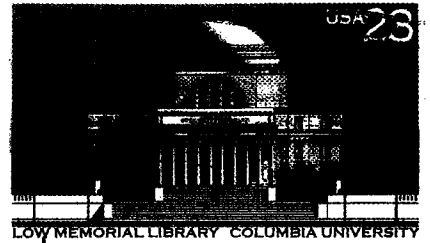
I am writing to let you know that I am highly opposed to any testing on animals. I think it should be illegal. I also plan on writing to legislators to let them know what I think of my tax dollars funding horrifically cruel research such as this. Other available research tools need to be utilized and more methods developed. (This is where I want my money spent!)

I would think with our current technology that more alternatives would already be possible had we stopped relying on outdated, cruel forms of animal testing long ago.

Susan Galloway

Columbia, MO.

Rec'd
10/13/04



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Dear Dr. Masten,
I am writing to ask that you
stop the unnecessary and ineffective
testing of chemical toxicity on
animals. Please spend tax dollars
on alternative testing that will
be more humane for animals and
result in more beneficial findings for
human health.

10/15/04
Thank you for your
kind attention.
Respectfully,
Robin Jacobson

GOD BLESS
AMERICA

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Dr. Scott Masten.

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Did your PhD require
you to take a class that
taught you how to block
out the cries and sufferings
of the animals that get
tested on?

To you. The Chemical Nomenclature
List may be work.

but to the animals...

IT'S MURDER.

Please stop unnecessary
testing.

Sincerely,
Amanda Tackwell
San Jose, CA
Age 19

October 2004

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Secretary Tommy Thompson
Dept. of Health and Human Services

We, the undersigned, strongly recommend that the proposed poisoning tests on animals be replaced with alternative methods (using cell culture, human tissue, etc). Assuredly, there are other alternative methods available to test the toxicity of chemicals instead of relying on animals to be the sacrificial lamb. Verifying the toxicity of chemicals, retesting well-known hazardous substances, testing chemicals in newborn rats and primates, etc., would be unconscionable, repetitive and unnecessary. Testing/retesting of chemicals in animals would be an enormous waste of our hard-earned dollars as well as causing the pain, suffering and death to thousands of animals. Each year, the NTP spends millions of tax \$\$ to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity.

We strongly recommend using cell cultures and/or human tissue for the testing of perfluorinated compounds which the EPA nominated for extensive study, including cancer and reproduction testing on the basis of presumed widespread human exposure --- despite the fact that large amounts of human and animal toxicity data are already available for these chemicals.

We trust you share our concern about nominating and selecting alternative ways of testing the toxicity of chemicals, cancelling the proposed poisoning animal tests. Thank you for considering our comments.

Madeline Bolbol

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Dear Dr. Masten,

I am writing you today regarding testing on animals. I would like to remind you that these are live animals that can feel and experience pain. Please stop this inhumane testing on any animals, especially baby animals. I ask that you pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Melissa Rageth

Melissa Rageth

10/6/04

From The Desk of Barbara Soby

TO: Dr. Scott Masten

FAX: 919.541.3647

FROM: MS. Soby

DATE: 10.14.04

RE:

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Urgent For Review Please Reply to address Please Reply to my Email

NOTES: Please Refer to Letter!

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October 13, 2004

Dear Dr. Scott Masten,

I am writing you this letter on behalf of the thousands of animals that are unnecessarily killed everyday in tests that are outdated and not called for. I find this disturbing and consider this to be a form of animal abuse and torture, which is a crime in many states. From what I've read, most of these tests being conducted are with the use of chemicals already known to cause severe harm, injury or even death. The chemicals listed are turpentine and antifreeze. So tell me again, "why are we still poisoning these animals?"

We live in a world that teaches respect and human kindness for all things great and small-but where in this statement does it say to only humans?

I just want to remind you and all the other companies out there that animals are not test tubes with whiskers and ask that you STOP the insanity by halting animal testing.

Thank you for taking the time to listen to me on behalf of those who have no voice.

B.Soby



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To Dr Scott Masten,

I am writing in regard to the upcoming chemical testing on animals to be undertaken by the NTP, as advised by the NTP interagency committee for chemical evaluation and coordination.

I am deeply disappointed and disgusted that such crude outmoded testing is still considered effective and responsible in this modern day and age. To actively encourage people to nominate chemicals they would like to see tested on animals is both obscene and tasteless.

I understand that the NTP have plans to test the following substances on animals "perfluorinated compounds", "bitter orange extract" and "Di-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate", and that both organizations and private individuals may nominate these chemicals for testing. **I seriously doubt these tests are what the average citizen would consider necessary if anyone may nominate to have such chemicals tested.**

I do not support the NTP in any way, in conducting this testing and ask that you raise your awareness to a level where you are able to acknowledge that animals are so much more than merely test tubes with whiskers. I look forward to a positive response from the NTP in the near future.

Thank you,



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4th October 2004